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Virginia Air Board  
c/o Terry Darton  
Air Permit Manager  
13901 Crown Court  
Woodbridge, VA 22193

Dear Air Board:

I am writing this letter because of my concern over how the City Council is fighting against Mirant Corporation on the issue of having the stack merge installed on the Potomac River Power Generation System. The city council has wasted so much of our tax dollars on this issue. Mirant is willing to pay for the updates out of their own pockets. This will keep our taxes from going up.

I have lived in Alexandria for 15 years and have enjoyed the quality of life this town offers. I am currently single and 39 years old. I am the head of a mortgage firm here in Alexandria. I feel that these improvements need to be made to make the plant much safer for our environment. The stack merge will allow it to shoot the emissions higher in the air, thus eliminating the danger to our community.

The power plant has been part of this community for 49 years. People that moved here during that time knew about it. The residents that are arguing against this power plant should have reconsidered their choices before moving to this area.

I feel we need to embrace this improvement to the power plant. Our community cannot afford to have this plant shut down. We need the electricity that the Potomac River Station generates. Without it our community may endure even worse problems.

Thanks,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Francis Fannon", written over the printed name.

Francis Fannon